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SUBJ: ANTI-AMERICANISM IN GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS: SEPTEMBER 21-27

1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING LAST WEEK'S EASING, ANTI-USG TREATMENT IN GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS ROSE AGAIN THIS WEEK IN NEWS STORIES, PHOTOS, EDITORIALS. SECRETARY KISSINGER REMAINS PRIME TARGET OF VILIFICATION. VOTES BY U.S. CONGRESS PRODUCED SPATE OF COMMENT DISTINGUISHING BAD GUYS IN USG FROM GOOD GUYS IN LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AND AMERICAN PEOPLE IN GENERAL. END SUMMARY.

2. TRADITIONALLY CRITICAL LEFTIST DAILIES ("TA NEA," "APOGEVMATINI," "PHILELEFTHEROS," COMMUNIST "HARAVGHI", CENTRIST "PROTOPOROS," RIGHTIST "MAKHI," GRIVASITE "ETHNIKI" RAISED LEVEL OF ATTACK ON USG, PERSONALIZED IN TERMS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER. "PROTOPOROS" COMBINED VITRIOLIC ASSAULT ON SECRETARY (PEAKING IN THREAT AGAINST HIS LIFE WERE HE TO VISIT

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CYPRUS -- TEXT WILL BE POUCHED DEPARTMENT) WITH WARMER WORDS FOR

CONGRESSIONAL VOTES TO CUT OFF AID TO TURKEY.

3. RECEPTION OF SECRETARY'S UNGA REMARKS ON CYPRUS GENERALLY CRITICAL: E.G., "PHILELEFTHEROS" HEADLINED "HAVING BURNED CYPRUS, KISSINGER NOW OFFERS MEDIATION."

4. SEVERAL PAPERS FEATURED FRONT-PAGE PHOTO OF "WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE" KISSINGER POSTER (REWARD IS ONE CYPRUS POUND, ABOUT \$2.70). BOTH COMMUNIST SHEETS PLAYED HEAVILY ON CIA BUGBEAR, LINKING RECENT CHILE CANARDS WITH CYPRUS TRAGEDY. "HARAVGHI" INITIATED CAMPAIGN TO REFER TO SECRETARY AS "DR. KILLINGER"; NO OTHER PAPER HAS YET FOLLOWED THIS LEAD.

5. LYSSARIDES "TA NEA" (WHOSE CIRCULATION REPORTEDLY HAS SOARED DUE TO GRATIS DELIVERY OF SEVERAL THOUSAND COPIES TO REFUGEE CAMPS) FUMED AS USUAL ABOUT MENACING NATO/KISSINGER PLOTS; LATER RAN SENSATIONALIZED STORY OF AMERICAN PLANES SPYING ON CYPRUS-BOUND SHIPS. (REF NICOSIA 3343).

6. MAJOR EXCEPTION TO ABOVE IS CLERIDES' PAPER, "AGON," WHICH CONSIDERABLY LESS ANTI-AMERICAN THAN EARLIER AND FAIRLY OBJECTIVE IN COVERAGE OF AMERICAN STATEMENTS ON CYPRUS. WITH OTHERS, "AGON" HAILED HOUSE VOTE AS SIGN THAT CONGRESS CLOSER TO AMERICAN PEOPLE THAN KISSINGER-LED FOREIGN POLICY APPARATUS.

7. ANGRY RIGHTIST AFTERNOON DAILY, "MESIMVRINI," GAVE LESS EFFORT TO ANTI-USG ATTACKS, PRIMARILY BECAUSE IT HAS SHIFTED FOCUS TO ANTI-MAKARIOS CAMPAIGN.
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